

COLGATE & COMPANY JERSEY CITY PLANT: C-9
(Colgate-Palmolive Company Jersey City Plant: C-9)
42 Sussex Street
Jersey City
Hudson County
New Jersey

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Location: 42 Sussex Street, Jersey City, Hudson County, New Jersey

Significance: C-9 was used for spare parts and spent acid storage, and housed two air compressors as part of the Jersey City plant's principal compressed air facility c1972-87, along with C-11 (HAER No. NJ-71-W). Although not an individually significant structure, it has some significance as a component of the Colgate Jersey City plant.

Description: C-9 is a one-story, single-bay, steel-framed, concrete-block, 25-by-64 foot structure, adjacent to the Boiler House (HAER No. NJ-71-T) and set back about twenty feet from Sussex Street. The area between C-9 and the street is defined by a brick wall with an opening, flush with the Boiler House south facade (see HAER No. NJ-71-S, Figure 2). The two air compressors installed here were multistage centrifugal types.

History: Colgate & Company purchased the C-9 site in 1905, acquiring a four-story brick tenement built c1890-1900. This structure was later converted to a variety of industrial purposes, notably the Jersey City plant's first pilot plant for soap product improvement, and was demolished c1959. The later C-9 was built in 1972, and comprised the plant's principal compressed air facility. C-9 was demolished in 1990.

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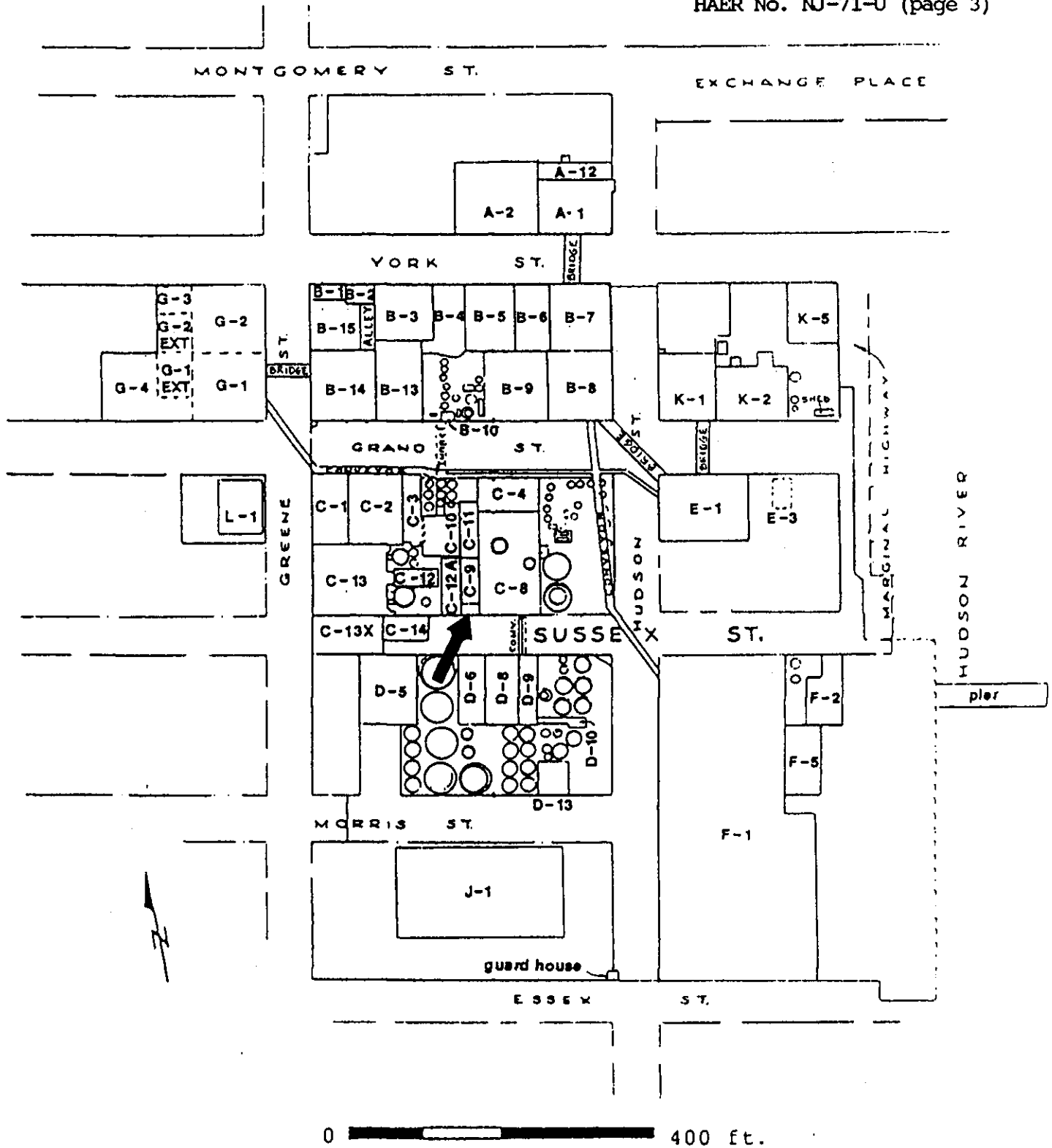


Figure 1. LOCATION OF C-9 AT COLGATE JERSEY CITY PLANT